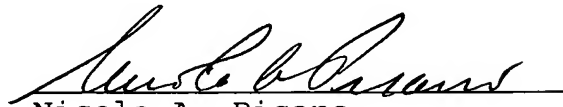


REMARKS

Applicant has canceled claims 1-11 and added new claims 1-10. An early and favorable action is earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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